

payment paid to a judge under this section shall be \$25,000.

(c) COVERED JUDGES.—A voluntary separation incentive payment may be paid under this section to any judge of the Court who—

(1) meets the age and service requirements for retirement set forth in section 7296(b)(1) of title 38, United States Code, as of the date on which the judge retires from the Court;

(2) submits a notice of an intent to retire in accordance with subsection (d); and

(3) retires from the Court under that section not later than 30 days after the date on which the judge meets such age and service requirements.

(d) NOTICE OF INTENT TO RETIRE.—(1) A judge of the Court seeking payment of a voluntary separation incentive payment under this section shall submit to the President and Congress a timely notice of an intent to retire from the Court, together with a request for payment of the voluntary separation incentive payment.

(2) A notice shall be timely submitted under paragraph (1) only if submitted—

(A) not later than one year before the date of retirement of the judge concerned from the Court; or

(B) in the case of a judge whose retirement from the Court will occur less than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(e) DATE OF PAYMENT.—A voluntary separation incentive payment may be paid to a judge of the Court under this section only upon the retirement of the judge from the Court.

(f) TREATMENT OF PAYMENT.—A voluntary separation incentive payment paid to a judge under this section shall not be treated as pay for purposes of contributions for or on behalf of the judge to retired pay or a retirement or other annuity under subchapter V of chapter 72 of title 38, United States Code.

(g) ELIGIBILITY FOR TEMPORARY SERVICE ON COURT.—A judge seeking payment of a voluntary separation incentive payment under this section may serve on the Court under section 401 if eligible for such service under that section.

(h) SOURCE OF PAYMENTS.—Amounts for voluntary separation incentive payments under this section shall be derived from amounts available for payment of salaries and benefits of judges of the Court.

(i) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.—A voluntary separation incentive payment may not be paid under this section to a judge who retires from the Court after December 31, 2002.

SEC. 404. DEFINITION.

In this title, the term "Court" means the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill To amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance programs providing health care and other benefits for veterans, to authorize major medical facility projects, to reform eligibility for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes."

ORDER FOR STAR PRINT—S. 1547

Mr. BROWNBAC. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that S. 1547 be star printed with the changes that are at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1999

Mr. BROWNBAC. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 9. I further ask consent that on Thursday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate immediately begin three consecutive votes as previously ordered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. BROWNBAC. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will convene at 9:30 a.m. and begin a series of three stacked votes. The first vote is on cloture on the motion to proceed to the Transportation appropriations bill. That will be followed by a vote on or in relation to the Bond amendment, No. 1621, and, third, the Robb amendment, No. 1583. Following the votes, the Senate will resume consideration of the pending Hutchison amendment regarding oil royalties. Further amendments and votes are expected throughout tomorrow's session of the Senate, with the anticipation of completing action on the bill.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. BROWNBAC. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8:37 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, September 9, 1999, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 8, 1999:

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

JAY JOHNSON, OF WISCONSIN, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE PHILIP N. DIEHL, TERM EXPIRED.

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

WILLENE A. JOHNSON, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES DIRECTOR OF THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE ALICE MARIE DEAR, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JOSEPH W. PRUEHER, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MARK REID TUCKER, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE WILLIAM I. BERRYHILL, TO WHICH POSITION HE WAS APPOINTED DURING THE LAST RECESS OF THE SENATE.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be general

GEN. THOMAS A. SCHWARTZ, 0000.

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